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RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE CORRECTED APPLICATION PAPERS

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Dear Sir/Madam: `

The above-captioned patent application was filed on January 17, 2002. On February 12, 2002 Applicants submitted six (6) sheets of drawings with a request to replace the informal drawings with the formal drawings. A copy of the postcard establishing receipt by the PTO of the formal drawings is enclosed.

Subsequently, Applicants received a Notice To File Corrected Application Papers (enclosed) communication from the Patent Office regarding the non-compliance of the drawings sheets as submitted. In view of the prior filing of the formal drawings, Applicants respectfully request that the enclosed copy of the formal drawings (as previously submitted) and the returned postcard be deemed acceptable to fulfill the request made in the Notice To File Corrected Application Papers in the above-captioned application.

Please acknowledge receipt by stamping the enclosed self-addressed, stamped postcard that identifies the document filed herewith.

Respectfully submitted,

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Filing Date Granted

This application has been accorded an Application Number and Filing Date. The application, however, is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to correct the informalities indicated below. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a)

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- Substitute drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 because:
 - drawing sheets do not have the appropriate margin(s) (see 37 CFR 1.84(g)). Each sheet must include a top margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a left side margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a right side margin of at least 1.5 cm. (5/8 inch), and a bottom margin of at least 1.0 cm. (3/8 inch);

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